

# 436 PURSUIT SQUADRON

## MISSION

### LINEAGE

436 Aero Squadron (Construction) organized, Jan 1918  
Redesignated 51 Spruce Squadron, Jul 1918  
Demobilized, Jan 1919

436 Squadron (Pursuit) constituted in the Organized Reserve, 15 Oct 1921  
Redesignated 436 Pursuit Squadron, 25 Jan 1923  
Initiated, 26 Feb 1923  
Inactivated, 31 Oct 1936

51 Spruce Squadron reconstituted and consolidated with 436<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron, 25 Nov 1936.  
Consolidated organization designated 436 Pursuit Squadron.

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

### STATIONS

Vancouver Barracks, WA  
Hoquiam, WA, Feb 1918  
Cosmopolis, WA, May 1918  
Vancouver Barracks, WA, Dec 1918

Vancouver Barracks, WA  
Not initiated 1921-1923  
Denver, CO, 1923-1925  
Galveston, TX, 15 Apr 1925-1936  
Inactive 1936-1941

### ASSIGNMENTS

311 Pursuit Group

### COMMANDERS

Unknown 26 Feb 1923-9 Oct 1932  
Maj Walter F. Parkin, 9 Oct 1932-31 Oct 1936

Inactive, 31 Oct 1936-7 Dec 1941

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

### **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 436th Squadron (Pursuit), assigned to the 311th Pursuit Group (Sixth Army), and allotted to the Eighth Corps Area. Pueblo, CO, initially designated as headquarters on organization, but the unit was never organized at that location. Redesignated as the 436th Pursuit Squadron on 25 January 1923. Initiated on 26 February 1923 at Denver, CO. Relieved from the Sixth Army 13 June 1924 and assigned to the General Headquarters Reserve. Relocated to Galveston, TX, on 15 April 1925 and stationed at the Fort Crockett U.S. Army Airdrome. Withdrawn from the Eighth Corps Area on 5 June 1936 and allotted to the Second Corps Area. Inactivated on 31 October 1936 at Galveston by relief of personnel. Consolidated on 25 November 1936 with the 436th Aero Squadron (Construction) (a WWI unit organized in January 1918 at Vancouver Barracks, WA; redesignated as the 51st Spruce Squadron in July 1918; demobilized in January 1919 at Vancouver Barracks; reconstituted on 25 November 1936). Allotted to the Syracuse District, Northern New York Reserve Area 5 April 1937. Conducted summer training at Fort Crockett, TX, or Hensley Field, TX, 1923-35. Status: Disbanded on 31 May 1942.

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